

Addie Pope Sheppard

Dunn Daily Record

09/13/2007



Addie Pope Sheppard, 77, of Hershey, Pa., formerly of Coats, died Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007, at Milton S. Hershey Medical Center in Hershey. She was born Dec. 22, 1929, in Harnett County to the late David B. and Zelda Byrd Pope. She was preceded in death by a son, Robert Luke Sheppard.

She was an accounting and business teacher at Bishop McDevit High School, Harrisburg Area Community College and Milton Hershey Senior High School. Mrs. Sheppard graduated from Coats High School in 1947. She graduated cum laude from Elizabethtown College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in business education and received her master's degree from Penn State University. She was treasurer of Sheppard and Son Builders Inc. She retired in 2004. She was a faithful member of Derry Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Coats Community Church by Dr. Jim Cochran and Michelle Sheppard. Burial will follow at Coats City Cemetery. A memorial service will be held noon Saturday, Sept. 22, at Derry Presbyterian Church in Hershey.

Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Robert L. Sheppard; daughters, Lisa S. Hackman and husband Stephen of State College, Pa., Holly S. Vordenberg and husband Steven of New York, N.Y.; son, Jon R. Sheppard and wife Michelle of Hershey; sisters, Laura Lassiter of Danville, Va., Glenda Denning of Dunn, Janice Landen of West Jefferson and Diane Denning of Coats; and 11 grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats and other times at the home, 162 Jackson St., Coats. Flowers are welcome, however, memorials may be made to Coats Public Library, 243 S. McKinley St., Coats, NC 27521.

Alma Byrd Tart

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

August 12, 1997

Alma Byrd Tart, 88, died Monday. Funeral will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Rose and Graham Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. David H. Lee, officiating. Burial will follow in Red Hill Church Cemetery. Mrs. Tart was married to the late Alton Tart.

Surviving: daughter, Shelby T. Raynor; sons, Eules Alton "Bill" Tart Jr., Hunter Tart, Larry Tart, Wayne Tart and Kenneth Tart; 19 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren.

Family will be at the funeral home 7-9 p.m. today; and other times at the home of Wayne and Betty Tart, 538 Morgan Road, Benson.

Alva Lee Gregory Hamilton

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11/08/2004

Alva Gregory Hamilton, 81, of 2634 Harnett Central Road, Angier, died Thursday. She was preceded in death by her husband, Olen Hamilton; her parents, Hattie Byrd and Oscar Gregory; a sister, Lozzie G. Thompson; and a brother, Talmadge Gregory.

Funeral services were held 2 p.m. Sunday at Full Gospel Tabernacle Church in Coats by Mack Fowler. Burial was in Byrd Family Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Rachel H. Edwards and husband, Carl of Angier; a son, Billy Hamilton and wife Patricia of Lillington; sisters, Betty Pollard of Angier, Verlene Campbell of Angier and Mavis Hughes of Lillington; a brother, Jerry Gregory of Angier; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A service of Bryan-Lee Funeral Home.

Archibald Sellars Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
January 9, 1999

Mr. Archibald S. Byrd, 82, died Friday, Jan. 8, 1999. Funeral 2 p.m. Sunday, Friendship Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Gordon officiating. Burial, Bunnlevel Cemetery.

Surviving: wife, Martha Horton Byrd; sons, Russell Byrd of Rocky Mount, Graham Byrd of Bunnlevel; sister, Meredith Byrd of Raleigh; brother, F.D. Byrd II of Fayetteville; three grandchildren.

Family will receive friends 6-8 p.m. Saturday at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home, Lillington. Memorials: Friendship Baptist Church Building Fund, PO Box 120, Bunnlevel, NC 28323.

Barry Joe Butts

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03/16/2006

Barry J. Butts, 54, of 165 Supreme Drive, Lillington, died Wednesday morning, March 15, 2006, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. He was a school teacher in Harnett County for 31 years, where he taught at Overhills High School and Western Harnett High School. Mr. Butts was preceded in death by his father, Joe Doc Butts; and a daughter, Tommi Danielle Byrd. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at Erwin Church of God by the Revs. Alton Children and Currie Parker. Burial will follow at Harnett Memorial Park in Lillington.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Byrd Butts; sons, Barry Joe Butts Jr. and wife Monica of San Diego, Calif., Larry Byrd and wife Charity of Coats; a daughter, Leanne Holland and husband Shannon of Benson; a sister, Denise Cox and husband Earl of Erwin; his mother and stepfather, Helen Avery and Bruce Gomedella of Coats; and six grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Price Funeral Home in Erwin and other times at the home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Barry Butts Chemistry Scholarship, Overhills High School, 2495 Ray Road, Spring Lake, NC 28390; or the Barry Butts Chemistry Scholarship, Western Harnett High School, N.C. 27, Lillington, NC 27546.

Berles Clayborn Johnson

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

February 16, 1998

Berles Clayborn Johnson, 87, of Lillington died Saturday in Rex Hospital in Raleigh. Mr. Johnson retired from Campbell University where he was the purchasing and personnel director from 1962-1976. He was a former Harnett County Tax Supervisor. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Neills Creek Baptist Church by the Revs. Jeff Roberts and Michael Cogdill. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Johnson is survived by three sons, Donald Johnson of Wilmington, Del., Leonard Johnson of the home and Richard Johnson of Greenville; two brothers, Caswell Johnson of Lillington and Ellis Johnson of Fayetteville; four sisters, Juanita Beal of Lillington, Nelva Upchurch of Dunn, and Marguerite Langdon and Doris McPhaul, both of Fayetteville; and seven grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home and at other times at the home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Berles C. and Frances B. Johnson Scholarship Fund, Campbell University, Buies Creek, N.C. 27506, or to Neills Creek Baptist Church, Route 4, Box 62, Angier, N.C. 27501.

Bettie Ann Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
December 4, 2000

Ms. Bettie Ann Byrd, 93, of Coats died Saturday in Harnett Manor Nursing Home in Lillington. Ms. Byrd was a retired textile employee and a homemaker. She was a member of Gift Primitive Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by Elder Fred Williams. Burial will be in the Coats City Cemetery.

Ms. Byrd is survived by two sisters, Mavis Johnson of Benson and Agnes Couch of Chester, S.C.; and a brother, Victor Byrd of Benson.

The family will receive friends Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Billie Jean Byrd Garriss

Dunn Daily Record
10/24/2005

Billie Jean Byrd Garriss, 67, of 2868 Erwin Chapel Road, Coats died Saturday, Oct. 22, 2005, at her home. Mrs. Garriss was born Feb. 21, 1938, in Harnett County to the late Rev. Ralph O. and Marjorie Matthews Byrd. She retired from the Harnett County Public Schools where she was a primary school teacher for more than 30 years. Mrs. Garriss was a lifetime member of Erwin Chapel Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church and was a volunteer for the Betsy Johnson Memorial Cancer Center in Dunn.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Erwin Chapel PFWB Church. Officiating will be the Revs. Virgil Murphy, Ronnie Byrd and Condary Ellis. Entombment will follow in Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Survivors include her husband, Thurman "Frankie" Garriss; daughters and sons-in-law, Beth and Craig Page of Dunn and Connie and Ronnie Beasley of Benson; sisters and spouses, Pat and Condary Ellis of Dunn, Judy and Lee Bandy of Virginia Beach, Va., and Sherry and Wayne Royal of Coats; brothers and spouse, Larry Byrd and Ronnie and Cathy Byrd, all of Coats; grandchildren, Brittany Beasley, Christopher Beasley, Dylan Page, Tyler Page and Brandon Page; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats tonight from 7 to 9 and at other times at the home. Flowers are welcomed, however, memorials may be made to Heritage Bible College, P.O. Box 1628, Dunn, N.C. 28335. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com.

Bobby Lynn Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

October 22, 1997

BENSON -- Bobby Lynn Byrd, 53, of 914 Aquilla Road died Monday in UNC Hospitals in Chapel Hill. He was employed by Channel Master of Smithfield and was a member of Ebenezer Presbyterian Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday in Ebenezer Presbyterian Church by the Revs. Warren Bock and Meredith Bratcher. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Brenda C. Byrd; a son, Andy L. Byrd of Coats; a daughter, Tammy B. Autry of Benson; his mother, Virginia B. Dixon; a sister, Sue B. Vann of Benson; and one granddaughter.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, care of Juanita Hudson-Treasurer, Route 1, Box 314, Benson, N.C. 27504.

Bonnie L. Williams Cooper

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02/28/2005

Bonnie Williams Cooper, 51, of 1900 Bailey Road, Coats, died Thursday at Emerald Isle. She was born in Wake County on Nov. 25, 1953, to Clarence O. Williams of Coats and the late Marion Byrd Williams. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Cooper. Mrs. Cooper was a seamstress and a member of Little Flock Primitive Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held 3 p.m. Sunday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by Elder Fred Williams and Tony. Burial followed at Byrd Family Cemetery in Angier.

Survivors, in addition to her father, include a sister, Barbara Hodges and husband Mike of Emerald Isle; and a niece, April M. Hodges.

Boyd Shelton Moore

Dunn Daily Record

6/28/2005

Boyd Shelton "Coot" Moore, 73, of 1010 N. Orange Ave., Dunn, died Monday, June 27, 2005, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. Mr. Moore, a Harnett County native, was born Nov. 4, 1931, to the late Junious E. and Neva Byrd Moore. He was preceded in death by brothers, Thurman "Honey" Moore and Prentise Moore.

Mr. Moore was a U.S. Army veteran and served as a sergeant in the Korean War and was decorated with honors of the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. He was a retired electrician and worked for 25 years with Walter Holmes Electric. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Jerome Edwards and Everette Faircloth. Burial will follow at Erwin Memorial Park. He was a loving husband and daddy. His extra joy was his grandchildren. He has several nieces and nephews who he loved dearly.

Survivors include his wife, Ethel "Peggy" Moore; a daughter, Debbie Stewart and husband Dunkin of Erwin; sons, Milford Barefoot and wife Kaye of Dunn, Maylon Barefoot and wife Judy of Shalotte; grandchildren, Sherrie Flowers of Erwin, Cindy Stewart of Rocky Mount and Laura Brett of California; great-grandchildren, Brittany Byrd, Cody Flowers, Emma Brett, Hailey Brett, Cody and Tanner Babson, Heath and Adrian Babson; sisters, Leontine Allen of Dunn and Mary F. Byrd of Dunn; and a brother, Gardner Moore of Benson.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home and other times at the home. Memorials may be made to St. Matthew PFWB Church, 110 St. Matthews Road, Erwin, N.C. 28339.

Bruce Wilson Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
March 28, 2000

Bruce W. Byrd, 84, of Lillington died Monday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. A graveside service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Westview Memorial Park Gardens by Dr. William Goodnight.

Mr. Byrd is survived by a sister, Jerry Stogsdill of Lillington; and two brothers, Clifton Byrd of Erwin and Eugene Byrd of Godwin.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 8:30 at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home and at the home of Trudy Hamilton.

Bryant Allen Norris

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
November 23, 1999

COATS -- Bryant Allen Norris, 90, of 6920 N.C. 27 East died Sunday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. Mr. Norris was a retired farmer and worked with tobacco warehouses. He was a member of Red Hill Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m.

Wednesday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Benson by the Revs. James Gurkins, Eddie Franks and Billy Smith. Burial will be in Red Hill Church cemetery.

Mr. Norris is survived by his wife, Mattie B. Norris; eight daughters, Louise Pollard of Coats, Kathleen Byrd of Garner, Ann Messler of Cary, Peggy Adams of Garner, Doris Dupree of Clayton, Brenda Johnson of Dunn, Helen Kirksey of Cary and Janet Stephenson of Coats; three sons, Billy Norris and Michael Norris, both of Coats, and Jerry Norris of Orange Park, Fla.; a sister, Lettie N. Moore of Coats; 21 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 9 at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Coats Rescue Squad, Coats, N.C. 27521.

Callie Byrd Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
December 9, 2001

BENSON - Mrs. Callie Byrd Byrd, 101 of 6349 Elevation Rd., died Friday at her residence. A graveside service will be 3 p.m. Sunday at Devotional Gardens in Dunn. Officiating will be the Revs. King White and Jimmy Barnhill.

Mrs. Byrd was born September 14, 1900 in Johnston County to the late Thomas and Sallie Johnson Byrd. She was preceded in death by her husband, Zeb B. Byrd, Sr.; sons, Lee Thomas and Lacy Byrd; daughter, Geniel Byrd.

Mrs. Byrd was a member of the Benson Pentecostal Holiness Church, Banner Post 109 Ladies Auxiliary, Banner Home Demonstration Club, LIFE Group of the Gospel Tabernacle, N.C. Central AGLOW Group, and was a homemaker.

Survivors included: daughter, Sallie B. Wood of Benson; son and daughter-in-law, Z.B., Jr. and Marie Byrd of Benson; seven grandchildren, Renee' Wood, Lisa Carlson and husband, Chris, Charles Byrd and wife, Amy, Sandra Daniels and husband, Bill, Steve Byrd and wife, Karen, Phil Byrd, and Rodney Byrd and wife, Erica; 10 great-grandchildren, Callie, Ann Marie, and Covington Carlson, Zeb and Austin Byrd, Brent and David Massengill, Sandy Barnes, Phil, Jr. and Lee Byrd; three great-great-grandchildren, Tori and Savannah Byrd, and David Nathan Massengill.

Arrangements by Rose & Graham Funeral Home, Benson.

Callie Mae Byrd Fish

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01/18/2006

Callie Mae Byrd Fish, 92, of Fuquay-Varina died Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2006. She was born Oct. 3, 1913, to the late Willie Green and Minnie Williams Byrd. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday in the chapel of Bryan-Lee Funeral Home in Angier. Burial will follow at Sandy Grove Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include sons, Vernon L. Fish of Raleigh and Kenneth E. Fish of Fuquay-Varina; sisters, Retha Arrington of Angier and Mavor Gregory of Buies Creek; brothers, Addison Byrd of Coats, Fred Byrd and Raeford Byrd, both of Angier; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home. Condolences may be sent to www.bryan-leefuneralhom.com.

Carvus Andrew Byrd, Sr.

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

April 27, 1998

Carvus Andrew Byrd, 81, died Sunday. Services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at Pinecrest Memorial Gardens Mausoleum. Rev. Billie E. Lawson officiating.

Surviving: wife, Mary S. Byrd; one son and daughter-in-law, Carvus Andrew Byrd Jr., and wife Patsy C. Byrd of Smithfield; sister, Nila Cates of Fuquay-Varina; three grandchildren, Andy Byrd III and wife Helyn Byrd, Cindy Creech and husband Greg Creech and Ami Cox and husband, Wade Cox; five greatgrandchildren.

Although the family appreciate flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Wilson's Mills Baptist Church, Hwy 70-A, Wilson's Mills, NC 934-4181 or Johnston Co. Home Health and Hospice, Smithfield. Family will receive friends 7-9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Christine Byrd Olive

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

April 18, 1999

Mrs. Christine Byrd Olive, 90, of Four Oaks, died Friday, April 16, 1999 at Johnston Memorial Hospital.

She is surviving by her son, Frank and his wife Betsy, of Smithfield. Also surviving is a sister, Betty Lee Parker of Four Oaks; and a brother, Hunter Byrd of Smithfield. She was the widow of William F. (Bill) Olive.

The funeral service will be Sunday, April 18, 1999 at 3 p.m. at Minshew Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. John Causey officiating. Visitation will follow until 5 p.m. Interment will be private.

Clarence Glenn Stephenson

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
February 15, 2001

Clarence Glenn Stephenson, 92, of Coats died Tuesday in Britthaven of Dunn. Mr. Stephenson was a farmer. A graveside service will be conducted at 11 a.m. today in Coats City Cemetery by the Revs. Agnes Baker - Douglas and Sammy Wood. Arrangements are being handled by Rose & Graham Funeral Home of Benson.

Mr. Stephenson is survived by two daughters, Dorothy M. Buchanan of Farmville, Va., and Ruth S. Jesse of Pebble Beach, N.Y.; a son, Sherrill Stephenson of Mountain View, Okla.; two sisters, Hazel Parker and Maude Faircloth, both of Benson; 11 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Clarence O'Dell Williams

Dunn Daily Record
04/04/2006

Clarence O'Dell Williams, 79, formerly of Coats, died Sunday, April 2, 2006, at Diversicare of Newport. He was born Dec. 4, 1926, in Harnett County to the late Albert J. and Flonnie Stone Williams. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marion Byrd Williams; and a daughter, Bonnie W. Cooper.

Mr. Williams retired from Burlington Industries and was a member of Gift Primitive Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Wednesday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by Elder Fred Williams. Burial will follow at the Byrd Family Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Hodges and husband Mike of Emerald Isle; a granddaughter, April Hodges; sisters, Vergie Knox of Coats, Ola Barefoot Wood of Benson and Dorothy Barefoot of Dunn; and a brother, Eugene Williams of Swansboro.

The family will receive friends Wednesday from noon to 12:45 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. Condolences may be sent to www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com.

Coleman Couch

The News & Reporter (Chester County, SC.)

9/23/2005

CHESTER - The funeral service for Mr. Grover Coleman Couch, 685 Colony Road, was conducted at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 20, at Barron Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Clay Waldrip and the Rev. Joseph Clayton officiating. Burial followed in Grandview Memorial Gardens in Rock Hill. Mr. Couch, 94, died Sunday, Sept. 18, at Chester Regional Hospital.

Born in Lancaster County on Sept. 2, 1911, he was the son of the late Grover Cleveland Couch Sr. and the late Minnie Shehane Couch. Mr. Couch attended Lancaster County schools and was an active member of Lowrys Baptist Church. He was a retired printer for Rock Hill Printing and Finishing Company after 30 years of service. He was a former member of the Ruritan Club and Rock Hill Printers Association.

Survivors include his wife, Agnes Byrd Couch; two sons, Donald C. Couch and his wife, Brenda of Pickens and William C. Couch and his wife, Faye of Chester; one daughter, Mrs. L. B. (Becky) Cannon of Chester; two brothers, Wilbur Couch of Lancaster, and David Couch of Heath Springs; three sisters, Della Adams of Rock Hill, Marie Phillips of Kershaw, and Betty Cauthen of Heath Springs; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his first wife, Catherine Steele Couch and one brother, Gene Couch. Barron Funeral Home, 133 Wylie St., Chester, was in charge of arrangements.

Connie Lee Byrd Penny

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

October 10, 2001

COATS - Mrs. Connie Byrd Penny, 50, of 28 Sheriff Johnson Rd., died Monday at NC Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill. Funeral service will be 3 p.m. Wednesday at the Coats United Methodist. Officiating will be the Revs. J. Thomas Smith and Jack Page. Burial will follow in Devotional Gardens.

Mrs. Penny was born September 19, 1951 in Harnett County to the late Lonnie E. and Aeley Tart Byrd. Mrs. Penny was also preceded in death by a sister, Sharon Byrd. She was a homemaker and bookkeeper for her families business "Penny's Minnow Farm". Mrs. Penny was a member of the Coats United Methodist Church, sang in the choir and served in many other capacities.

Survivors are husband, Hal D. Penny; daughter, Caroline L. Penny and son, David H. Penny, both of the home; brothers and sister-in-law Randy Byrd of Four Oaks and Allen and Anita Byrd of Newport News VA; many special friends.

Flowers are welcomed, however memorials may be made to the Coats United Methodist Church Building Fund, or the Coats United Methodist Church Choir, PO Box 388 Coats, NC 27521. Arrangements by Rose & Graham Funeral Home, Coats.

DeAnna Gail Ennis Byrd Denning

Dunn Daily Record
05/01/2006

DeAnna E. Denning, 68, of Tucker Street, Four Oaks, died Saturday morning, April 29, 2006, at her home. She was born in Harnett County on Nov. 10, 1937, to the late Eugene and Mary Maude Ennis. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Tuesday in the chapel of Minshew Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Hodges Chapel Church Cemetery in Benson.

Survivors include her husband, Edgar M. Denning; a son, Ray C. Byrd of Fancy Gap, Va.; daughters, June B. Rhodes and Kay S. Byrd, both of Four Oaks; sisters, Faye E. Spears and Joyie E. Wright, both of Estero, Fla., and Jonnie E. Kim of Four Oaks; grandchildren, David Byrd, Haywood Rhodes, Kalan Talton, Jennifer Byrd, Cindy Rhodes, Kimberly Byrd and Jessica Sheckler; and great-grandchild, Camille Talton.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Minshew Funeral Home.

Delia Avery Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
May 1, 1998

DUNN -- Mrs. Delia Avery Byrd, 86, of Erwin died Thursday in Good Hope Hospital. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in Skinner Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Ronnie Byrd. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Mrs. Byrd is survived by two sons, Waylon M. Byrd of Fayetteville and Donald C. Byrd of Pineville, La.; two sisters, Lattie McDonald of Dunn and Lillian Harrelson of Erwin; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home.

Don Mitchell Steele, Jr.

Dunn Daily Record

12/13/2005

Don Mitchell "Donnie" Steele Jr., 45, of 606 E. Morris Ave., Benson, formerly of Dunn, died Monday, Dec. 12, 2005, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. Mr. Steele, an Alamance County native, was born Aug. 9, 1960. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Cosby R. and Naomi Byrd.

He attended Coats Public Schools and Central Carolina Community College. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Wednesday at Erwin Chapel PFWB Church by the Revs. Virgil Murphy, Condary Ellis, Ronnie Byrd and Travis Cain. Burial will follow at Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Linda B. and Jerry L. Williams of Dunn.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn. Memorials may be made to the Dunn Kidney Center, 605 Tilghman Drive, Dunn, NC 28334. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.cromartiemillerandlee.com.

Duncan Wesley Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

November 21, 1998

Duncan Wesley Byrd, 92, of Bunnlevel died Thursday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. The funeral will be conducted at 3:30 p.m. today in O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel in Lillington by the Rev. Steve Gordon. Burial will be in Bunnlevel Cemetery.

Mr. Byrd is survived by a sister, Hazel B. Greene of Erwin; and a brother, Lassiter Byrd of Lillington.

The family will receive friends today from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Edsel Ty Langdon

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

May 22, 2006

RALEIGH -- Edsel Ty Langdon, 40, of 9409 Sauls Road, died Saturday at Wake Medical Center. He is the son of Vernon Edsel Langdon and Orpha B. Langdon, and was a graduate of Garner High School and Wake Community College. The funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2006 at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church on Old Fair Ground Road in Johnston County. Interment will follow at the church cemetery.

Surviving in addition to his parents are daughters, Brooke Langdon age 12, and Blaire Langdon age 10, and their mother, Robin; sister, Debora Langdon Mann and husband, Ray; nephew, Kevin Mann and wife, Brandy; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Rebon Langdon; a very special friend, Karen Solitro, who helped with his care during his illness, and several wonderful aunts, uncles, cousins and beloved friends who loved Ty very much.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Ila Jackson Stephenson; and paternal grandfather, M.V. Langdon.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Monday at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, 1200 Benson Road, Garner. The family wishes to express their appreciation to Dr. Julie Taub and the staff of Wake Medical Center on 5C24 for their loving and compassionate care during this time. In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to the Brooke and Blaire Langdon Educational Fund established at any State Employees Credit Unions. Condolences may be sent to the family at: www.bryan-leefuneralhome.com.

Edward Peal Gaskin

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
February 15, 1996

LILLINGTON -- Edward Peal Gaskin, 84, of Route 1 died Wednesday. He was a retired farmer and service station operator. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Friday in Oak Grove Baptist Church, Route 2, Angier, by the Rev. Rick Jefferds. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Gaskin is survived by two sons, Robert E. Gaskin and Laverne E. Gaskin, both of Lillington; two sisters, Ethel G. Byrd of Coats and Iris G. Maxwell of Lillington; a brother, Brady M. Gaskin of Willow Springs; and two grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Overby-Johnson Funeral Home of Angier and other times at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Gaskin, Route 1, Lillington.

Memorials may be made to the Oak Grove Baptist Church, Route 2, Angier.

Elbert Giddion Capps

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
July 8, 1996

Elbert Giddion Capps, 90, of Dunn died Sunday in Charles Parrish Nursing Center. He was a retired groundskeeper for the Dunn Public Works Department. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Fairhaven Church of God. Burial will be in Devotional Gardens.

Mr. Capps is survived by two sons, E. Shelton Capps of Four Oaks and Donnie G. Capps of Fitzgerald, Ga.; seven daughters, Mary E. Penny of Four Oaks, Patricia A. Beasley, Joyce Jernigan and Vickie C. Coats, all of Benson, and Charlotte G. McLamb, Barbara A. Beasley and Teresa L. Wilkerson, all of Dunn; 20 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home and other times at the home of Pat Beasley, Route 4, Benson.

Elsie Mae Pope Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
January 10, 1998

COATS -- Mrs. Elsie Mae Pope Byrd, 78, of Route 2, Box 807 died Thursday in her home. She was a homemaker. The funeral will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by the Rev. Frank Neville. Burial will be in Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Mrs. Byrd is survived by a daughter, Marjorie B. King of Coats; five sisters, Reba B. Williams of Coats, Edna Raynor of Raleigh, Hazel Tart of Dunn, Evangeline Barbour of Richmond, Va., and Lena Honeycutt of Grand Rapids, Mich.; a brother, M. David Pope of Gretna, Va.; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Etta Mae Messer Pleasant

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
January 22, 1996

Mrs. Ettie Mae Messer Pleasant, 83, of Coats died Sunday. She was a member of Red Hill Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Red Hill Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church by the Revs. Billy Smith, James Gurkins and Rossie Blackman. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Pleasant is survived by seven sons, J.L. Pleasant, Wesley R. Pleasant, Sherrill Pleasant, Gerald Pleasant, Cecil Pleasant and Robert Pleasant, all of Coats, and Glenn E. Pleasant Sr. of Raleigh; two sisters, Brice Stephenson of Coats and Myrtle Houston of New Bern; 16 grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and 12 step-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home of Dunn and other times at the home of Gerald Pleasant, South Lincoln Street Extension, Coats.

Eugene Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

4/11/2005

Eugene Byrd, 86, of Dunn died Sunday at his home. He was the son of the late James R. and Margaret Stephenson and was preceded in death by his wife, Selma Lee Byrd. Mr. Byrd had been a member of Godwin Baptist Church and most recently a member of Friendship Baptist Church in Bunnlevel. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday at Friendship Baptist Church by the Rev. Paul Fowler. Burial will be at Bunnlevel Cemetery.

Survivors include sons, Phil Byrd and wife Lynne of Dunn, Walter Byrd and wife Barbara of Erwin; a brother, Clifton Byrd of Erwin; a sister, Jerry Stogsdill of Lillington; and grandchildren, Phillip Byrd, Megan Byrd and Jennifer Byrd.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home in Lillington and other times at his home. Memorials may be made to Friendship Baptist Church, P.O. Box 120, Bunnlevel, N.C. 28323.

Eugene Lassiter Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

May 28, 1999

E. Lassiter Byrd, 78, of Lillington died Thursday in Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Fayetteville. Mr. Byrd established Byrd's Drive-In. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Steve Gordon. Burial will be in Bunnlevel Cemetery.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Elizabeth "Toots" Byrd; three daughters, Sunnie Byrd of the home, Marlene Holt of Lillington and Lisa Ennis of Coats; a son, Tim Byrd of Lillington; a sister, Hazel Green of Dunn; and three grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home and at other times at the home.

Eula Pauline Williams Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

October 16, 2000

Mrs. Eula Williams "Ma Ma Byrd" Byrd, 98, of Coats died Saturday. Mrs. Byrd was a member of Angier Primitive Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Rose &

Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by Elder Devon Harris. Burial will be in the Coats City Cemetery.

Mrs. Byrd is survived by 13 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and 34 great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Frank Langdon

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
April 21, 2001

BENSON -- Frank Langdon, 86, of 11896 N.C. 210 died Friday in his home. Mr. Langdon was a farmer and a member of Barbourtown Church of God. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in Johnson Memorial Church by Dr. Herbert Carter and the Revs. Billy Ballard and R.B. Parrish. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Langdon is survived by his wife, Beatrice H. Langdon; two daughters, Lottie L. Hall and Sally L. Thomas, both of Benson; a son, Glen N. Langdon of Angier; a brother, Garland Langdon of Benson; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson.

Franklin Douglas Byrd, Jr.

Greensboro News & Record (NC)
June 24, 2001

Franklin Douglas Byrd Jr., 93, died Saturday, June 23, 2001, at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. The funeral will be 2 p.m. Monday, June 25, 2001, at Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, with Dr. David Crocker and Dr. James Cammack officiating. Burial will follow in LaFayette Memorial Park.

He is predeceased by his parents, Catherine Hill McNeill and Franklin Douglas Byrd; brothers and sisters, Lawrence McNeill Byrd, Walter Redin Byrd, Frances Maria Johnson, Archibald Seller Byrd.

He was a graduate of Wake Forest University and Campbell University. He was a charter member and a former Chair Board of Deacons for Snyder Memorial Baptist Church. He was a Board of Trustee for Methodist College and a past president of Fayetteville Lions Club. He was also a superintendent of Cumberland County Schools for 27 years.

He is survived by wife, Rebecca Jackson Byrd of Fayetteville; son, Doug Byrd III and daughter-in-law Linda W. Byrd of Raleigh; two grandsons, Doug Byrd IV of Greensboro and Stephen Byrd of Manteo; one sister, Meredith R. Byrd of Raleigh.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, June 24, 2001, at Jernigan Warren Funeral Home in Fayetteville. Memorials may be made to Snyder Memorial Baptist Church "Building Fund" 701 Westmont Drive, Fayetteville NC 28305.

Garland Harding Langdon

Dunn Daily Record
3/22/2005

Garland Harding Langdon, 84, of 10036 N.C. 50, Benson, died Monday at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh. He was born Nov. 14, 1920, in Johnston County to the late J. Willis and Sally Byrd Langdon. He was preceded in death by his wife, Uldine Benson Langdon.

Mr. Langdon was a retired farmer and painter. He attended Benson Grove Baptist Church, was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, member of of Banner Post 109 American Legion and was a charter member of the 50-210 Fire Department. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday at Benson Grove Baptist Church by the Rev. Billy Cashwell. Burial will follow at the church cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Sylvia Barbour and husband Mitchell of McGee's Crossroads, and Darlene Barbour of Clayton; sons, Keith Langdon and wife Cyndy, Kent Langdon and wife Derusha, all of Benson; a sister-in-law, Beatrice Langdon of McGee's Crossroads; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and other times at the home of Sylvia and Mitchell Barbour, 10034 N.C. 50 North, Angier. Flowers are welcome, however, the family suggests memorials be made to Benson Grove Baptist Church, 6963 N.C. 50 North, Benson, N.C. 27504; or to the 50-210 Fire & Rescue, 52 Greenleaf Road, Angier, N.C. 27501.

Gladys Odell Clifton Stewart

Dunn Daily Record
12/07/2007

Gladys Clifton Stewart, 75, of 106 Hall St., Benson, died Thursday, Dec. 6, 2007, at her home. She was born April 20, 1932, in Johnston County. She was a retired pediatric nurse at Johnston Memorial Hospital in Smithfield and was a member of Benson PFWB Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Charles Stewart; and her father, Eppie Netus Clifton. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Glenn McCullen. Private burial will be at Benson City Cemetery.

Survivors include her mother, Elizabeth Byrd Clifton Williford; daughters, Jean Stewart Hudson and husband Roger of Benson, Patricia Charlene Stewart of Raleigh; son, Joseph Rollins Stewart and wife Marilyn of Clayton; sister, Hettie Mae Ennis of Coats; and grandchildren, Joseph Rollins Stewart II, Nathan Henry Stancil and Nicholas Brian Stancil.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson.

Glenna Dale Byrd Holt

Dunn Daily Record
02/08/2008

Glenna Byrd Holt, 85, of 403 S. 13th St., Erwin, died Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. She retired from Burlington Industries as a cloth inspector.

She was the daughter of the late John and Conelia Byrd and was preceded in death by brothers, Daniel Byrd; and sisters, Kitty Stephenson and Lillian Lee. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church of Erwin by the Revs. Keith Goretzka and Jerome Pope. Burial will follow at Erwin Memorial Park.

Survivors include a daughter, Dale Beasley and husband Otis Jr. of Dunn; granddaughters, Bridget Lee and husband Brandon, Michelle Brown and husband Billy; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Price Funeral Home and other times at the home.

Henry Clay Byrd, Sr.

(Courtesy of Helen Penny Kennedy)

Smithfield Herald
05/08/1979

Henry Clay Byrd, a retired farmer of Route 1, Smithfield, died Sunday in Johnston Memorial Hospital following a period of declining health. He was 80 years of age. Mrs. Byrd was born in Johnston County on September 20, 1898. He was a son of the late William Ira and Nola Jones Byrd. His wife, Florence Thompson Byrd, died in 1973.

The funeral was scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday in Pisgah baptist church with the Rev. Bill Whitlatch, pastor, and the Rev. Bill Poole, a former pastor, officiating and burial following in the church cemetery.

Surviving are five sons, Hugh Byrd, Henry C. Byrd Jr., Douglas Byrd, Leon Byrd, and William Otis Byrd of Route 1, Smithfield; six half sisters, Mrs Martha Capps, Miss Edna Earle Byrd, Mrs. Ruby Stanley, and Mrs. Katherine Stanley of Selma, Mrs. Elsie West of Benson, and Mrs. Lucy Stanley of Coats; and 11 grandchildren.

Henry Holt Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
January 3, 2000

JOHNSTON COUNTY - Elder Henry Byrd, age 79, died December 31, 1999. Funeral service will be Tuesday at 3 p.m. at West & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel with Elder Wallace Smith, Elder Harold Pittman and Elder A.D. McGee officiating. Burial will be at Old Fellowship Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma M. Byrd; daughters, Judy Bishop of Benson, Ruth Maria Byrd of Gibsonville; son, Eddie H. Byrd of Benson sisters, Callie Mae Dayringer of Benson, and Alice Alta Byrd of Benson four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Family will receive friends Monday night from 7 to 9 p.m. and at other times at the home of Eddie Byrd. Arrangements by West & Dunn Funeral Home of Benson.

Herbert Hunter Tart

Dunn Daily Record
11/23/2007

Corrine H. Tart, 82, of Ft. White, Fla., died Sunday, Nov. 18, 2007, and Herbert Hunter Tart, 79, of Ft. White died Monday, Nov. 19, 2007, at Haven Hospice Suwannee Valley Care Center in Lake City, Fla.

Mrs. Tart was born March 1, 1925, in Harnett County to the late Samuel and Irene Barefoot Hardison and moved to Ft. White in 2002, coming from Sanford. She was a registered nurse for 36 years and retired from Lee County Hospital in Sanford. Mrs. Tart was a member of Evangel Church of God.

Mr. Tart was born in Harnett County on July 14, 1928, to the late Eules Alton and Alma Byrd Tart and moved to Ft. White in 2002, coming from Sanford. He managed Twin City Laundry and Dry Cleaners for more than 30 years. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and wood work. He was a member of Evangel Church of God.

Graveside funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Tart will be 10 a.m. Tuesday at Memorial Cemetery in Dunn by the Rev. David Hancock.

They are survived by daughters, Patricia Chasteen and husband Sonny of Plant City, Fla., Kathy Hancock and husband David of Ft. White; grandchildren, Gwendolyn, Danielle, Robbie and Michelle; and great-grandchildren, Xian and Jennifer.

Mrs. Tart is also survived by brothers, Wallace Hardison and wife Eva of Dunn, Sherwood Hardison and wife Carol of Richmond, Va.; sisters, Inez TerBush of Dunn, Geraldine Widner and husband Coy of Conners, Ga.

Mr. Tart is also survived by brothers Eules "Bill" Tart of Dunn, Larry Tart and wife Faye of Sanford, Ken Tart and wife Rebecca of Benson; sister, Shelby Raynor and husband J.F. of Hopewell, Va.

The family will receive friends Monday from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and other times at the home of Kenneth and Rebecca Tart, 503 E. Church St., Benson. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Haven Hospice Suwannee Valley Care Center, 5037 Highway 90 West, Lake City, FL.

Hermie Hallie Byrd Barrett

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
March 16, 1998

Mrs. Hermie Byrd Barrett, 73, of Dunn died Saturday in Britthaven of Harnett nursing home. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Skinner Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Ed Bullock. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Barrett is survived by her husband, George H. Barrett; a son, George R. Barrett of Clayton; a daughter, Jane C. Barrett of Dunn; two brothers, Duncan "Dunk" Byrd and Eugene L. Byrd, both of Lillington; a sister, Hazel B. Green of Dunn; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Hugh Oscar Byrd, Sr.

Parrish Funeral Home Notice

01/27/2008

SMITHFIELD – Hugh Oscar Byrd, Sr. age 69, died Saturday evening at his home. Born February 6, 1938 in Johnston County he was a son of the late Henry Clay Byrd, Sr. and Florence Thompson Byrd. Hugh was preceded in death by two brothers, Velton Byrd and Thel Byrd.

An active member of the Pisgah Baptist Church, he has served as a Deacon, a member of the Brotherhood and the Chairman of the Ushers for many years. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday in the Pisgah Baptist Church with the Rev. William “Bill” Monroe officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Pat D. Byrd, daughter, Patti Gibson and husband Greg of Chantilly, VA, sons, Hugh Byrd, Jr. and wife Michelle of Raleigh, Clay Byrd and wife Kim and Daniel Byrd and wife Tabitha all of Smithfield, four brothers, Henry Byrd, Jr., Douglas Byrd, Lynn Byrd and Otis Byrd all of Smithfield and ten grandchildren, Zach Gibson, Cameron Gibson, Bret Gibson, Seth Byrd, Logan Byrd, Mary Kathryn Byrd, Matthew Byrd, Ashley Byrd, Jackson Byrd and Hailey Byrd.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Monday at the Underwood Funeral Home in Smithfield. Flowers are acceptable or memorials may be made to the fund of one’s choice at Pisgah Baptist Church, C/o Geraldine Murphy, 3580 Hwy 210, Smithfield, NC 27577.

Ila Askew Stephenson Byrd Jackson Stephenson

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

March 4, 2002

GARNER -- Ila Jackson Stephenson, 93, formerly of Benson, died Saturday. She was a wonderful Christian mother, grandmother and cherished by all who knew her. An inspiration to her family and friends, she lived every day of her life according to her Christian convictions. Funeral 3 p.m. Monday at Bryan- Lee Funeral Chapel, Garner. Burial at Fellowship Community Cemetery.

Surviving: daughters, Hilda Harvell Young of Willow Spring and Orpha B. Langdon and her husband Edsel Langdon of Garner; sons, Johnny A. Byrd and his wife Kay Byrd of Raleigh and Jerry A. Byrd of Boca Raton, FL; granddaughters, Debora L. Mann, Diane H. Wentz, Darlene Harvell, Cindy Harvell, Sonja B. Puryear and Amy B. Burnett; grandsons, Ty Langdon, Steve Harvell and Dr. Allan Byrd; seven great- grandchildren; and special friend, Steven Stephenson.

She was predeceased by her parents, George Leonard Stephenson and Della B. Langdon Stephenson; two sisters and five brothers.

Ila Mae Hughes Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

03/03/2006

Ila Mae Hughes Byrd, 83, of South Turner Circle, Coats, died Thursday, March 2, 2006, at her home. She was born April 21, 1922, in Johnston County to the late Nathan and Lovie Johnson Hughes. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin W. Byrd; brothers, Ervin Hughes and Edison Hughes; sisters, Ruby Thornton, Nettie Faircloth, Louise Williams and Lydia Moore.

She attended Full Gospel Tabernacle in Coats. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Sunday at Full Gospel Tabernacle by the Revs. L.B. Collins and Floyd J. Moore. Burial will follow at the Byrd Family Cemetery in Angier.

Survivors include daughters, Janice Capps and husband Billy of Erwin, Faye Thornton and husband Gene of Coats, Doris Jones and husband Lamar of Woodbridge, Va.; sisters, Betty Gibbs of Angier and Edna Long of Rockingham; a brother, Emery Hughes of Rockingham; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn. Condolences may be sent to www.cromartie-millerandlee.com.

Imogene Agnes Avery Benson Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

04/04/2006

Agnes Avery Byrd, 78, of Erwin died Monday afternoon, April 3, 2006, at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital in Dunn. Graveside services will be held 1 p.m. Wednesday at Erwin Memorial Park by the Rev. Jerome Pope.

Survivors include sons, Roger Dales Giles, Rondey Maylon Giles, Johnny Mack Strickland, Larry Glenn Strickland and Gary Lelon Benson, all of Erwin; daughters, Brenda Strickland Newsome of Selma, Wanda Faye Stewart of Erwin and Gay Wilson of Erwin; a sister, Carolyn Irene Sessoms of Sanford; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Price Funeral Home in Erwin.

J. D. Barefoot

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
March 26, 2002

DUNN -- J.D. Barefoot, 68, of 230 Turnage Barefoot Lane, died Sunday in his home. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn by the Revs. Jerome Pope and Randy Beasley. Burial will be in Devotional Gardens.

Mr. Barefoot is survived by his wife, Oneater B. Barefoot of the home; a stepson, Kenneth R. Norris of Clayton; a stepdaughter, Deborah L. Addison of Abbingdon, Va.; a sister, Iva J. Jernigan of Dunn; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

J. Weldon Byrd

Smithfield Herald
April 2, 2004

J. Weldon Byrd, 63, of 1722 Stephenson Road near Benson died Tuesday, March 30, at his home. Born March 31, 1940, in Johnston County, Mr. Byrd was the son of Neta Hargis Byrd of Benson and the late Joseph Roger Byrd. He was a retired drywall contractor.

The funeral was at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 1, at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. The Rev. Tim Bunn officiated.

Surviving in addition to his mother are two sons, Joseph Michael Byrd of Benson and Sean Kelly Byrd of Roxboro; two sisters, Barbara Byrd of Garner and Brenda Dunn of Angier; and a grandson.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the charity of one's choice.

Jake D. "Papa" Byrd

Herald-Sun, The (Durham, NC)
April 21, 1997

Jake D. 'Papa' Byrd, Jr., 80, of 1915 Shaw Road, died Sunday, April 20, 1997, in his home, after a period of declining health. Mr. Byrd was a native of Johnston County and had lived in Durham since 1933. He was the son of the late Cynthia and Jessie Duncan Byrd, Sr. He retired after 35 years with Black Industries and was the mechanical shop foreman. He was of the Baptist faith and was a member of the Redwood Ruritan Club. He loved to fish and work in the garden.

Surviving are his wife, Helen Holmes Byrd; 2 sons, Dwane and Alice Byrd and Michael Byrd, all of Durham; 2 daughters, Yolanda and Bobby James and Kaye and George Woods, of Durham; 1 sister, Alma Tart, of Johnston County; 10 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the Hudson Funeral Chapel. Rev. Randy Willis, Rev. Doug Brown, and Rev. Forest Gale will officiate. Burial will be in the Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be tonight from 7 until 9 at Hudson Funeral Home and at other times at the home. Flowers are acceptable, or donations may be made to Triangle Hospice, 1804 W. Martin Luther King Pkwy., Suite 112, Durham NC 27707.

James Durran Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
06/01/2008



Durran Byrd, 50, of 13624 Buffalo Road, went home to be with his Lord Saturday morning surrounded by his family. His father, Birchel Byrd and father-in-law, Charles Barnes, preceded him in death. Funeral service will be held 3:00 p.m. Monday at White Oak Baptist Church, with burial to follow at the church cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Tricia Barnes Byrd; children, Jeremiah and Hannah Jo Byrd of the home; mother, Maxine Byrd of McGee's Crossroads; sister, Becky B. Barefoot of Benson; brother, Dennis Byrd of McGee's Crossroads; mother-in-law, Lona Rea Barnes of Archer Lodge; special nephews and cousin, Charlie and Ben Barnes and LuAnn Creech.

Flowers accepted or memorial contributions may be made to the College Fund for Jeremiah and Hannah Byrd to Coastal Federal Credit Union, Clayton, NC 27520. The family will receive friends 1:30-2:45 p.m., Monday, prior to the service at the church and other times at the home. Arrangements by Strickland Funeral Home, Wendell.

James Edison Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

01/18/2008



James Edison Byrd, 89, of 1280 Tarheel Road, Benson, died Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2008, at his home. He was born June 13, 1918, in Johnston County to the late Roger G. and Lula Mae McLamb Byrd. He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Maude Miller Byrd; sisters, Reba Byrd Stewart and Annie Ruth Ennis; brothers, William Olden Byrd, John Erwin Byrd and Otis Leon Byrd.

He was a retired farmer and pork producer. Mr. Byrd was a member of the Mary Stewart Lions Club and a member of Hodges Chapel PFWB Church. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Sunday at Hodges Chapel PFWB Church by the Revs. Willard Hardison and Curtiss Tatum. Burial will follow at Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Survivors include daughter, Judie Byrd Walsh of Benson; son, J.E. "Jay" Byrd Jr. and wife Martha of Olive Branch, Miss.; grandchildren, Christopher Jay Byrd and Shaun Ryan Byrd of Birmingham, Ala.; great-grandchildren, Abigail Kathryn Byrd, Jacob Andrew Byrd and Nathan James Byrd; sisters, Eloise B. Beasley of Benson and Mary Weaver of Four Oaks; and a brother, R.G. Byrd Jr. of Fort Myers, Fla.

The family will receive friends Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. Flowers are welcome, however, memorials may be made to Hodges Chapel PFWB Church, 780 Hodges Chapel Church Road, Dunn, NC 28334.

James Edward Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

06/04/2007

James Edward Byrd, 55, of Linden died Friday night, June 1, 2007, from injuries due to a motorcycle accident. He was employed with Edward Brothers in Lillington. He was the son of the late Ralph and Freda Pearl Norris Byrd. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Tuesday at Price Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Alex Thompson. Burial will follow at Harnett Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah Treece Byrd; a son, James Preston Byrd of Linden; daughter, Stephanie Duncan and husband Wallace of Linden; brothers, William C. Byrd of Dunn and Ralph Byrd Jr. of Florida; sisters, Leda Byrd of Fayetteville, Gayle Parker of Linden, Penny McCormick of Garner and Connie Cook of Raleigh; and grandchildren, Shelby and Sarah Temple, Kaleb and Kayleigh Byrd.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home and other times at the home.

Jessie Francis Porter Byrd Hall

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
November 30, 2000

Ms. Jessie Porter Hall, 83, of Erwin died Wednesday. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday in Price Funeral Home chapel in Erwin by the Revs. Jerome Pope and Wesley Hamilton. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Ms. Porter is survived by a sister, Aline Mason of Erwin.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Jimmy Gray Bullock

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
March 30, 2001

Jimmy Gray Bullock, 57, of Salemburg died Wednesday. Mr. Bullock worked for the N.C. Department of Correction for 30 years, where he was an assistant superintendent of programs. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel in Lillington by the Rev. William Tew and Chaplain Lonnie Cooke. Burial will be in Westview Memorial Gardens in Lillington.

Mr. Bullock is survived by his wife, Kathleen Bullock; a daughter, Rena Bullock of Wilmington; a son, Brandon Bullock of Hawaii; a stepdaughter, Deborah Smith of Roseboro; a stepson, Michael Parker of Roseboro; a sister, Trudy B. Hamilton of Lillington; a brother, Gary Bullock of Sanford; and three step-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home and at other times at the home.

John Curtis Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
October 28, 2000

COATS - Mr. John Curtis Byrd, 71, of 2282 NC Hwy 55 West, died Saturday at his home. He was born December 25, 1928, in Harnett County to the late Huey Robert and Julia Catherine Byrd. He owned and operated Byrd Painting Company. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m.

Monday at Coats Baptist Church. Brother Mac Fowler and Rev. Jesse Mooney will officiate. Burial will follow in Oak Grove Church Cemetery.

Surviving: wife, Naomi Stewart Byrd; daughters and sons-in-law Teresa and Don Stewart of Coats; Lisa and David Fitchett of Dunn; son and daughter-in-law, Tony and Polly Byrd of Coats; sister, Wenona B. Dupree of Angier; sister-in-law, Ethel Byrd of Coats; nine grandchildren, Brian Stewart, Chris Byrd, Brad Stewart, Lori Stewart, Austin Fitchett, Victoria Byrd, Katherine Fitchett, Katelyn Byrd, and Sarah Byrd.

Flowers are welcome, however memorials may be made to Hospice of Harnett County, PO Box 373, Erwin, NC 28339. The family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats from 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Joseph Earnest Horton

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
June 22, 1995

Joseph Earnest Horton, 91, of Bunnlevel died Wednesday. The funeral will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Friday in Friendship Baptist Church by the Rev. Dan Deaton. Burial will be in the Bunnlevel Cemetery.

Mr. Horton is survived by three daughters, Patricia Jones and Martha Byrd, both of Bunnlevel, and Lillie Lloyd of Hillsboro; and five grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home in Lillington and other times at the home of Patricia Jones. Memorials may be made to Friendship Baptist Church, Bunnlevel, N.C. 28323.

Kitty Eleanor Byrd Stephenson

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
April 8, 2001

Mrs. Kitty Eleanor Stephenson, 89, of Coats died Saturday in Integrated Health Services in Dunn. Mrs. Stephenson was a homemaker and a member of Gift Primitive Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in Gift Primitive Baptist Church by Elder Fred Williams. Burial will be in Fellowship Community Cemetery.

Mrs. Stephenson is survived by two sons, Donahue Stephenson of Coats and Levern Stephenson of Benson; a sister, Glenna B. Holt of Erwin; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandsons.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and at other times at the home of Donahue and Edna Stephenson.

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
April 8, 2001

COATS - Mrs. Kitty Eleanor Stephenson age 89, of Coats died Saturday at IHS of Dunn. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday at Gift Primitive Baptist Church in Coats. Elder Fred Williams will officiate. Burial will follow in Fellowship Community Cemetery.

Mrs. Stephenson was born April 26, 1911 in Harnett County to the late John Ira and Cornelia Byrd. She was preceded in death by her husband G.W. "Bill" Stephenson; sons, Denzil M. Stephenson and Billy Stephenson; daughter, Janice Stephenson and two infant daughters. Mrs. Stephenson was a member of Gift Primitive Baptist Church and was a homemaker.

Surviving: sons and daughters-in-law, Donahue and Edna Stephenson of Coats, and Levern and Shelby Stephenson of Benson; sister, Glenna B. Holt of Erwin; seven grand-children; twelve great-grandchildren and three great-great-grand-sons.

The family will be at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats from 7-9 p.m. Sunday and at other times at the home of Donahue and Edna Stephenson.

Lavern Bryant "Buck" Parker

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
February 1, 1998

Lavern "Buck" Bryant Parker, 66, of 417 South Carroll in Apex, formerly of Garner, died early Saturday morning, January 31, 1998. Mr. Parker was retired from the Town of Garner. Funeral 2 p.m. Monday, February 2, 1998 at L. Harold Poole Funeral Service Chapel, Knightdale. Burial, Faison Family Cemetery, Bethlehem Road, Knightdale.

Surviving: wife, Nola Faison Parker; daughter, Jenny Parker Casey of Clayton; sons, Lee B. Parker of the home, Robert E. Parker of the home, Frankie L. Parker and his wife, Danielle of Willow Springs; sisters, Vivian P. Baker of Fuquay-Varina, Peggy Parker of Fuquay-Varina; brothers, Tom Parker and his wife, Candy of Zebulon, Mack Parker and his wife, Rosemary of Lunenburg, Massachusetts; grandchildren, Michael Parker and Clay Casey.

Family will receive relatives and friends from 7-8:30 p.m. Sunday, February 1, 1998 at L. Harold Poole Funeral Service and Crematory, 944 Old Knight Road and other times at the home of Martha Carson, 575 Bethlehem Road, Knightdale, N.C.

Leddie Etta Byrd Holmes

Unknown Newspaper

06/1990

Mrs. Leddie Etta Byrd Holmes, 74, died Thursday. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at Coats United Methodist Church by the Rev. Jack Page. Burial will be in Dunn Devotional Gardens.

Surviving are her sons Fred A. Holmes of Greenwood, S.C., Stacy E. Holmes of Lynn, Mass., Benny L. Holmes of Chesapeake, Va., James D. Holmes of Raleigh and Jackie L Holmes of Coats; brothers Jessie Byrd of Coats and Victor Byrd of Benson; sisters Bettie Byrd of Coats, Lola Parker of Raleigh, Agnes Couch of Chester, S.C., and Mavis Johnson of Benson; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie, Miller & Lee Funeral Home in Dunn.

Lillian Edna Byrd Hargis

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

November 11, 2004

ANGIER -- Edna Byrd Hargis, 78, of 354 Langdon Road, died Wednesday. Funeral 2 p.m. Saturday at Oak Grove Baptist Church, Angier. Burial, Lakeside Memorial Gardens, Angier.

Surviving: daughters, Sheila Roberts and Denise Wooten, of Angier; sons, Glenn, Jerry and Ronnie Hargis, all of Angier; sisters, Callie Fish and Retha Arrington, both of Angier and Mavor Gregory of Buies Creek; brothers, Edison, Fred and Raeford Byrd, all of Angier; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, Angier.

Lloyd Wesley Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

4/22/2005

Lloyd Wesley Byrd, 85, of Erwin died peacefully in Good Hope Hospital on Wednesday, April 20, 2005, surrounded by his wife of 61 years, Cleo Miller Byrd, and his daughters, Carolyn Byrd Stuart and Cathy Byrd Buechler. Mr. Byrd is remembered with much love and appreciation by his family and friends as a devoted and caring husband and father, an intelligent and committed community member, a faithful church member, a skilled carpenter and a hard-working advocate for working people.

He proudly served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, serving on seaplane patrols over the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean and attained the rank of chief petty officer. After he completed military service, he and his young wife moved to Mr. Byrd's hometown of Erwin, where he lived until his death. Mr. Byrd worked as a carpenter in Erwin Textile Mills for 10 years, after which he became the business agent for the Textile Workers Union of America (TWUA). As a strong advocate for textile workers, Mr. Byrd worked tirelessly to gain better health benefits and working conditions for the employees of Erwin Mills. Mr. Byrd retired in 1978 and continued his involvement in political and services agencies in Erwin. He served the community as town commissioner.

Mr. Byrd was an active member of Neil S. Stewart Masonic Lodge No. 556, and the order of the Eastern Star No. 230. For many years, he enjoyed participating in Senior Center events, including the delivery of Meals-on-Wheels to community members in need. An enthusiastic sports fan, he coached Little League for the Erwin Recreation Association.

In addition to his family and community service, his membership in First Baptist Church of Erwin was of great importance to him. His parents, Albert W. Byrd and Katie Barnes Byrd, were founding members of First Baptist Church, and his brother, the Rev. Jack W. Byrd, was ordained in the ministry. Mr. Byrd served the church family as superintendent of the Sunday school, a Sunday school teacher, a deacon and president of the Brotherhood.

He is survived by his wife, Cleo Miller Byrd; his brother and sister-in-law, the Rev. Jack and Juanita "Pete" Byrd of Windsor; his daughter, Carolyn Byrd Stuart of Chapel Hill; friend, Richard Miller of Durham; daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Scott Buechler of Chapel Hill; granddaughter, Mary Byrd Tinsley Buechler of Chapel Hill; granddaughter and grandson-in-law, Jessica and Jason Barile of Apex; and great-grandchildren, Maya and Dylan Barile.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, David Stuart; sons-in-law, Brad Stuart and Michael Tinsley; and sister and brother-in-law, Kathleen and James Sessoms.

Visitation will be held at Price Funeral Home, Erwin, tonight from 7 to 9. A funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church, South 12th Street, Erwin. Flowers or a memorial gift to First Baptist Church are welcome.

Louise Jones Byrd Sheppard

Herald-Sun, The (Durham, NC)
March 21, 1999

Louise Byrd Sheppard, 82, of Erwin, died Friday afternoon at the Carrolton of Dunn, after an extended illness. The Harnett County native was a daughter of the late George Washington and Lorina Gertrude Jones Byrd. Mrs. Sheppard was a retired Social Service representative with the Salvation Army.

Funeral services will be conducted 4:00 p.m. Sunday at Erwin First Baptist Church, with Rev. Mark Whiting and Rev. Irvin Byrd officiating. Entombment will be in Erwin Memorial Park Cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, Lyman W. Sheppard; a son, Dwight L. Sheppard, of St. Pauls; a sister, Alice Scarborough, of Durham; two brothers, Wayman T. Byrd, of Erwin, and George W. Byrd, Jr., of Lillington; and two grandchildren, Stacey Sheppard and Austin Sheppard.

The family will be receiving friends from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. Saturday at Skinner Funeral Home.

Lyda Florence Hughes Byrd Moore

Dunn Daily Record
04/24/2002

Lyda Hughes Byrd Moore, 84, a resident of Brookfield Retirement Center, formerly of Coats, died Tuesday at Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. She was born Sept. 29, 1917, in Harnett County to the late Nathan and Lovie Johnson Hughes. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Allen Byrd and Carlis Moore.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Coats by the Rev. Bobby Caudle and Tracy L. Byrd. Burial will follow in Byrd family cemetery, Coats.

Survivors include daughters, Joyce B. Rollins and Brenda B. Overbee of Coats; sons, Thomas A. Byrd and Charles E. Byrd of Coats, Jerry W. Byrd of Dunn; sisters, Ila Mae Byrd and Betty Gibbs of Angier and Edna Faircloth of Hoffman; brothers, Emery Hughes of Rockingham; 16 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats and other times at the home of Thomas and Faye Byrd, 2775 Old Stage Road, Coats.

Lydia Ryals Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
February 17, 2003

COATS -- Mrs. Lydia Ryals Byrd, age 91, of 622 South Lincoln St. died Sunday at Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Coats. Officiating will be the Rev. Tommy Smith. Burial will follow in the Ryals Family Cemetery, Coats.

Mrs. Byrd was born May 14, 1911 in Harnett County to the late C. Lawrence and Nannie Wiggins Ryals. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lundie Byrd, and son, James E. "J.E." Byrd. Mrs. Byrd was a member of the Coats United Methodist Church, and was a Homemaker.

Survivors include sons and daughters-in-Law, C.L. & Kathleen Byrd of Garner, Victor & Carolyn Byrd of Raleigh, and Marian Byrd of Apex; six grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren; and one great-greatgranddaughter.

Family will receive friends at the Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday. Flowers are welcome, however, memorials may be made to Coats Senior Center, P. O. Box 366, Coats, NC 27521.

Maggie Jane Turlington Whittington

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
February 19, 2000

Mrs. Maggie T. Whittington of Lillington died Friday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. She was 101. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Franklin Hunt. Burial will be in Erwin Chapel Free Will Baptist Church cemetery.

Mrs. Whittington is survived by a son, James E. Whittington of Wilmington; four daughters, Peggy Foster of Ohio, Dorothy Hubbard of Fayetteville, Geraldine Terry of Garner and Frances Lewis of Wilmington; 20 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Marvin Washington Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
November 8, 1995

COATS -- Marvin Washington Byrd, 77, of 104 Carrie St. died Tuesday in Rex Hospital in Raleigh. He was a brickmason. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday in Full Gospel Tabernacle Church by the Revs. Willie Jones and Sexton Vann. Burial will be in Byrd Cemetery.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Ila Mae H. Byrd of the home; three daughters, Janice F. Capps and Faye A. Thornton, both of Coats, and Doris Jones of Woodbridge, Va.; three brothers, Fred Byrd and Edison Byrd, both of Angier, and Raeford Byrd of Coats; six sisters, Callie Fish of Lillington, Rosie Byrd of Coats, Edna Hargis, Retha Arrington and Alice Adams, all of Angier, and Ms. Gregory of Buies Creek; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Cromartie-Miller & Lee Funeral Home of Dunn and other times at the home.

Mary Lois Byrd Morris Reaves

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
April 18, 2005

SMITHFIELD -- Mary Lois Morris Reaves, 73, died early Sunday morning at Johnston Memorial Hospital. She was born in Raleigh, daughter of the late Troy P. and Lettie V. Johnson Byrd. Mary Lois was a retired cook. Funeral service will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church. Entombment, Montlawn Memorial Park, Chapel of Memories Mausoleum, Raleigh.

She is survived by her daughters, Vicky Welch of Wake Forest, Nellie Jo Sledge of Franklinton, Angie McClure of Smithfield; sons, Eddie Morris of Swannanoa, and Charles Morris of Angier; half brother, Troy P. Byrd, Jr. of Smithfield; 10 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Hickory Grove AC Church, Building Fund, 1232 Hickory Grove Church Rd., Four Oaks, NC 27524. The family will receive friends 7:00-8:30 p.m. Monday at Strickland Funeral Home, 211 W. Third St., Wendell and other times at the home of Angie and Bill McClure, 4982 Swift Creek Rd., Smithfield.

Mattie Byrd Norris

Dunn Daily Record
2/10/2005

Mattie Byrd Norris, 92, of 6920 N.C. 27 East, Coats, died Wednesday at Rex Hospital in Raleigh. She was born Dec. 8, 1912, in Harnett County to the late John William and Jennie Messer Byrd. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bryant Allen Norris; a granddaughter, Cathy Messler Owens; and sons-in-law, J.L. Pollard, G.R. Stephenson and Robert Dupree.

Mrs. Norris was a homemaker and member of Red Hill PFWB Church. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by the Revs. Tony Kopanski, James Gurkins and Eddie Norris. Burial will follow at Red Hill Church Cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Louise N. Pollard of Coats, Kathleen Byrd and husband C.L. of Garner, Ann Messler and husband Bill of Cary, Peggy Adams of Garner, Doris Dupree of Clayton, Brenda Johnson and husband Gale of Dunn, Helen Kirksey and husband John of Cary, and Janet N. Stephenson of Coats; sons, Billy Norris and wife Linda of Coats, Jerry Norris and wife Glenda of Raleigh, Mike Norris and wife Kaye of Coats; 21 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; 17 great-great-grandchildren; and caregiver, Cora Phillips.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. Flowers are welcome, however, memorials may be made to Red Hill PFWB Church, 5355 Red Hill Church Road, Coats, N.C. 27521.

Maude Opal Miller Byrd

Dunn Daily Record
10/25/2005

Maude Miller Byrd, 84, of 1280 Tarheel Road, Benson, died Sunday, Oct. 23, 2005, at Johnston Memorial Hospital in Smithfield. Mrs. Byrd was born Oct. 19, 1921 in Harnett County to the late Johnny Albert and Beulah Mae Brown Miller. She was a homemaker and member of Hodges Chapel Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Hodges Chapel PFWB Church. Officiating will be the Revs. Kevin Blackman, Curtiss Tatum and Willard Hardison. Burial will follow in Devotional Gardens in Dunn.

Survivors include her husband, James Edison Byrd Sr.; daughter, Judie B. Walsh of Benson; son, J. E. "Jay" Byrd Jr. and wife Martha of Olive Branch, Miss.; sister, Doris M. Ennis of Dunn; brothers, Theron Miller and Rudolph Miller, both of Erwin; grandsons, C. Jay Byrd and Shaun R. Byrd; and great-grandchildren, Abigail Kathryn Byrd and Jacob Andrew Byrd.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 9 tonight at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. Flowers are welcome and memorials may be made to Hodges Chapel PFWB Church, 780 Hodges Chapel Road, Dunn, N.C. 28334.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com.

Meredith Rachel Byrd

Dunn Daily Record
12/30/2002

Meredith Byrd of Raleigh, North Carolina died Sunday December 29, 2002. She was born in Bunnlevel, North Carolina, November 11, 1918 to the late Franklin Douglas Byrd and Katherine McNeil Byrd. She was a life long member of First Baptist Church of Raleigh. She was preceded in death by four brothers Franklin Douglas Byrd, Jr., Walter Byrd, Lawrie Byrd and Archibald Byrd, and her sister Frances Byrd Johnson. Several Nieces and Nephews survive her. Miss Byrd was a life long employee of Durham Life Insurance Company retiring in 1985 as assistant to the president.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 Tuesday at First Baptist Church, of Raleigh. A committal service will follow at 2:00 P.M. Tuesday at the Bunnlevel Cemetery in Bunnlevel, North

Carolina. The family will receive friends 7-9:00 P.M. Monday evening at Brown-Wynne Funeral Home 300 Saint Mary's Street. The family request that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be sent to First Baptist Church, 99 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh N.C. 27603

Pallbearers will be Doug Byrd, Russell Byrd, Graham Byrd, and Don Johnson. Richard Johnson, and Leonard Johnson.

Myrtle Rebecca Stevens Allred

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
September 9, 1997

Mrs. Myrtle S. Allred, 83, of Dunn died Monday. She was a member of Dunn Order of the Eastern Star. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel in Lillington by the Rev. Tom Freeman. Entombment will be in Devotional Gardens.

Mrs. Allred is survived by three sons, Charles Allred of Broadway, and Ted Allred and Ron Allred, both of Monroe; five grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home and at other times at the home of Selwyn and Betty O'Quinn, Lillington.

Nancy Adeline Byrd Allen

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
January 8, 1995

BENSON -- Mrs. Nancy Adeline "Addie" Allen, 96, of Route 3 died Friday in Bryan Center in Clayton. She was a member of Pleasant Grove Home Extension Club for 50 years. Mrs. Allen was a charter member of Johnson Memorial Pentecostal Freewill Baptist Church where she was a member of the Lilly Johnson Auxiliary. She taught the Card Sunday School class for over 50 years.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. today in Johnson Memorial Church by the Rev. Murray King. Burial will be in Benson City Cemetery. Rose & Graham Funeral Home.

Mrs. Allen is survived by a daughter, Josephine A. Langdon of Angier; three granddaughters; six great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Johnson Memorial Church, 8280 N.C. 50 North, Angier, N.C. 27501.

Naomi Winnifred Norris Austin

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
April 21, 1995

WILMINGTON -- Mrs. Naomi W. Norris Austin, 79, of 121 Racing Drive, formerly of Harnett County, died Thursday in Liberty Commons Nursing Center. She was employed with Block Industries as an inspector. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in Rose & Graham Funeral chapel in Benson by the Rev. Jerry Beck. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Austin is survived by her husband, Henry R. Austin of Carolina Beach; a son, Dwight Austin of Carolina Beach; a sister, Pearl Byrd of Falcon; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Newton Conray Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
January 2, 1995

Newton Conray Byrd, 58, of Raleigh, formerly of Coats, died Saturday. A memorial service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Brown-Wynne Funeral Home in Raleigh.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Parmie M. Byrd of the home; a daughter, Susan A. Byrd of Raleigh; and a sister, Barbara Mitchell of Hope Mills.

Nila Byrd Cates

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
July 17, 2002

FUQUAY-VARINA -- Nila Byrd Cates, 91, of Brookfield Retirement Center, Lillington, NC, died Tuesday at Central Carolina Hospital in Sanford. Mrs. Cates was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Cates; son, Erwin Cates; and daughter, Betty Jean Cates.

Surviving children: daughters, Ruth Beck; Diane Kiel and husband, Stephen of Raleigh; Belle Padgett and husband, Fred; and Zilda Olive of Fuquay-Varina; sons, Charles Cates of Fuquay-Varina; and Jerry Cates and wife, Margaret of Smyrna, IN; grandchildren, Susan Walls and husband, Dr. Frank Walls of Goldsboro; Terri Massey and husband, George of Fuquay-Varina; Lori Thomas and husband, Dr. Marton Thomas; Janie Oliver and husband, Bill of Franklin, IN; Mark Beck of the Cayman Island; Shelton Olive of Fuquay-Varina; Ray Daniels and wife, Styron of Virginia Beach, VA; great-grandchildren, Jason Walls of Goldsboro; Julie Jones and husband Wesley of Winston Salem; Brayden and Kristen Thomas of Franklin, IN; Emily Paul and Brandon Daniels of Virginia Beach, VA.

The family will receive friends at Sugg Funeral Home on Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. Funeral services at Sugg Funeral Chapel Thursday 11 a.m. Burial at Chalybeate Springs Church Cemetery following services. Family will receive friends at 1125 S. Main Street at home of Fred and Belle Padgett, Fuquay-Varina. Arrangements by Sugg Funeral Home, Fuquay-Varina.

Nora Minerva Byrd Jones

News & Observer
1/1988

Mrs. Nora Byrd Jones, 83, of 2530 Garner Road, died Monday. Funeral 1 p.m. Wednesday, Bryan-Lee Funeral Home, Garner. Burial, Greenwood Cemetery, Dunn.

Surviving: husband, Otha K. Jones,; sons, O. Horace Jones of Fuquay-Varina, Lewis Jones of Winston-Salem, Bobby K. Jones of Raleigh, Sherrill B. Jones of Rural Hall; sisters, Miss Betty Ann Byrd and Mrs. Leddie B. Holmes, both of Coats, Mrs. Lola B. Parker of Raleigh, Mrs. Agnes B. Couch of Chester, S.C., Mrs. Mavis B. Johnson of Benson; brothers, Jessie Byrd and Hubert Byrd, both of Coats, Victor Byrd of Benson; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

Family at funeral home, 7-9 p.m. today. Memorial contributions may be made to Hayes Chapel Christian Church, 315 E. Garner Road, Garner 17529.

Odis Mae Byrd Hall

Charlotte Observer, The (NC)
December 17, 1993

SOUTHERN PINES - Mrs. Odis Byrd Hall 90, homemaker, died Dec. 16, 1993, at home. Funeral is 1 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church. Visitation is 7 to 9 tonight at Powell Funeral Home.

Survivors are her son, Bill Hall; grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Sandhills Hospice, P.O. Box 1956, Pinehurst, N.C. 28374.

Paul Hampton Langdon

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
July 8, 2001

FOUR OAKS - Paul Hampton Langdon, 91, of 755 King Mill Road died Saturday at Johnston Memorial Hospital. A native of Johnston County, he was the son of the late James Washington

and Rebecca Lassiter Langdon. Funeral service will be conducted Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Minshew Funeral Home Chapel. Officiating will be the Rev. John I. Norman. Burial will be in the Clement Church Cemetery.

Surviving are four sons, Hampton F. Langdon and wife, Gene R. Langdon of Kernersville, NC, Carl B. Langdon and wife, Nancy J. Langdon of Four Oaks, Thel H. Langdon and wife, Jean P. Langdon of Four Oaks, Donald R. Langdon and wife Sue Langdon of Newport, Va; six grandchildren; four great-grand-children.

The family will receive friends Monday from 7-9 p.m. at Minshew Funeral Home of Four Oaks.

Pauline Byrd Bullock

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
October 16, 1998

Mrs. Pauline Byrd Bullock, 77, of Lillington died Wednesday in her home. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in the O'Quinn-Peebles Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Bill Goodnight. Burial will be in Westview Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Bullock is survived by two sons, Gary Bullock of Sanford and Jimmy Bullock of Clinton; a daughter, Trudy B. Hamilton of Lillington; three brothers, Cliff Byrd of Coats, Bruce Byrd of Lillington and Eugene Byrd of Godwin; a sister, Jerry Stogsdill of Lillington; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home and at other times at the home of Trudy Hamilton. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 266, Lillington, N.C. 27546.

Purdie Hamilton Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
March 30, 1995

Purdie Hamilton Byrd, 74, of Erwin died Wednesday in Veterans Affairs Hospital in Fayetteville. He retired from the Army after 28 years of service and served in Vietnam. Mr. Byrd was a retired police officer from the Erwin Police Department and was a member of Neil S. Stewart Lodge No. 556 and Erwin Advent Christian Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in Price Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Ken Price. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Linda S. Byrd of the home; two daughters, Mary B. Jackson of Dunn and Shelia B. Williams of Erwin; a sister, Virginia B. Lee of Durham; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home, and other times at the home, 408 S. 15th St., Erwin, N.C.

Rachel Alene McLamb Byrd

Dunn Daily Record
12/16/2004

Alene McLamb Byrd, 83 of 326 John Lee Road, Dunn, died Wednesday at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. She was born Dec. 4, 1921, in Virginia to the late J. Pearson and Eula Mae Stewart McLamb. She was preceded in death by her husband, John Edward Byrd; sisters, Euphrozene M. Herring and Eula Mae McLamb; and brothers, Julian Pearson McLamb, J. Hampton McLamb and J. Thorton "Knotty" McLamb.

Mrs. Byrd was a homemaker and a member of Hodges Chapel PFWB Church. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by the Rev. Roy McLamb. Burial will follow at Hodges Chapel Church Cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Deborah B. Patterson and husband Dale of Broadway, and Juanita B. Dennis of Dunn; a son, Dell Byrd and wife Debbie of Dunn; sisters, Elsie West of Coats, Arlette McNeil of Lillington, Shirley Partin of Angier, Carolyn Stewart of Franklinton, Bonnie Norris of Godwin, Belvia Ann Blanks of Henderson, Odessa Dixon of Wilmington and Vera Hawley of Spring Hope; brothers, Coy McLamb of Garner and Clark McLamb of Benson; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson.

Ralph O. Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
July 23, 2000

COATS -- The Rev. Ralph O. Byrd, 86, of 1462 Crawford Road died Friday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. The Rev. Byrd was a retired farmer and Pastor of several churches for 38 years. Among the churches he pastored was Antioch Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church, where he was a minister for 22 years before retiring. The Rev. Byrd was a member of Coats Area Chamber of Commerce and served on the Board of Directors of Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church Inc.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in Antioch Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church by Dr. Norman Wiggins, the Revs. Ronnie Byrd, Conday Ellis and Wesley Hamilton and Larry Byrd. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery in Dunn.

The Rev. Byrd is survived by four daughters, Billie Garriss and Sherry Royal, both of Coats, Pat Ellis of Dunn and Judy Bandy of Virginia Beach, Va.; two sons, Larry Byrd and Ronnie Byrd, both of Coats; three sisters, Doris Wood of Lillington, Marie Clark of Westchester, Pa., and Linda Williams of Dunn; three brothers, Granville Byrd, Stanton Byrd and Watson Byrd, all of Burlington; 15 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats. Memorials may be made to Campbell University Divinity School, P.O. Box 4050 Buies Creek, N.C. 27506; or to Heritage Bible College, 1638 Bud Hawkins Road, Dunn, N.C. 28334.

Rosa Katherine Stevens Byrd

Smithfield Herald
Friday, August 19, 1955

Mrs. Rosa Katherine Byrd, 69, of Coats, widow of Ben E. Byrd and mother of Victor Byrd of Benson, died at 7:25 Monday night at the Good Hope Hospital in Erwin following declining health for about two years.

A funeral service was held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Gift Primitive Baptist Church in Coats. Elder J. T. Lewis and Elder Jimmy Collins of Angier conducted the service. Interment was in the Coats Cemetery.

A native of Johnston County, Mrs. Byrd moved to Harnett County about 33 years ago. She was the daughter of Joe and Pity Johnson Stevens.

In addition to her son in Benson she is survived by three other sons, Newton and Jessie Byrd of Coats and Hubert Byrd of Route 1, Coats; six daughters, Mrs. Otha Jones of Raleigh, Mrs. John Holmes of Coats, Mrs. R. C. Thomas of Chester, S. C., Mrs. Linwood Johnson of Coats; two brothers, Junnie and Otha Stevens of Coats; 24 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Rosa Tyler Byrd Wells

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
October 21, 1997

Mrs. Rosa Byrd Wells, 92, of Dunn died Monday in Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. Mrs. Wells was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Erwin and was a registered nurse for 55 years. A graveside service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Greenwood Cemetery by the Revs. George Poffenbarger and Tom Taylor.

Mrs. Wells is survived by a son, Robert T. Wells of Dunn; a brother, Carvus A. Byrd of Smithfield; a sister, Nila B. Cates of Lillington; two grandsons; and two great-grandsons.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Skinner Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, S. 12th St., Erwin, N.C. 28339.

Rufus Kneece Turlington

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
May 11, 1996

ERWIN -- Rufus Kneece Turlington, 101, of Route 1 died Friday in Good Hope Hospital. Mr. Turlington was a native of Harnett County and a retired farmer. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Sunday in Erwin Chapel Church by the Revs. Ralph Byrd, Coleman Turlington and Rusty Stewart. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Turlington is survived by a sister, Maggie T. Whittington of Lillington, and several nieces and nephews. The family will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. today in Skinner Funeral Home of Dunn.

Ruth Byrd Puckett

Dunn Daily Record
April 21, 2004

Ruth Byrd Puckett, 82, of Benson died Tuesday at Good Hope Hospital in Erwin. Mrs. Puckett was born in Johnston County on Sept. 3, 1921, to the late Aquilla and Lalon Stephenson Byrd. She was preceded in death by her husband, Worth "E.W." Puckett; and a son, James Carl Puckett. She was a homemaker and a member of Benson Pentecostal Holiness Church. Mrs. Puckett presented the children's sermon, "Jesus Speaks to Our World," on WPYB for 19 years. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at Rose & Graham Funeral Home Chapel in Benson by the Revs. Jimmy Barnhill and Mike Capps. Burial will follow in Roselawn Cemetery.

Survivors include a daughter, Josephine P. Stanley and husband Ledford of Benson; sons, David Glenn Puckett and wife Marsha, and Donald Edward Puckett and wife Vonya, all of Benson; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson and other times at the home of Donald and Vonya Puckett, 489 Aquilla Road, Benson.

Sallie Jane Byrd Langdon

Smithfield Herald

12/15/1998

Sallie Byrd Langdon, 88, of 755 King Mill Road, Four Oaks, died Monday. Born Sept. 20, 1910, in Johnston County, she was a daughter of the late Troy and Lettie Johnson Byrd. The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Minshew Funeral Home in Four Oaks. Elder James Denning will officiate. Burial will follow in the cemetery at Clements Primitive Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, Paul H. Langdon; four sons, Hampton Langdon of Kernersville, Carl Langdon and Thel Langdon, both of Four Oaks, and Donald Langdon of Newport, Va.; a brother, Troy Byrd Jr. of Four Oaks; a sister, Mary Reaves of Smithfield; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 7 till 8:30 p.m. today (Tuesday) at the funeral home. The family suggests memorial contributions to charity.

Selma Lee Byrd Byrd

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)

September 1, 1996

DUNN -- Mrs. Selma Lee Byrd Byrd, 80, of Route 4 died Friday in Duke University Medical Center in Durham. The funeral will be conducted at 4 p.m. today in Friendship Baptist Church in Bunnlevel by the Rev. Eddie Weatherington. Burial will be in Bunnlevel Cemetery. Price Funeral Home of Erwin.

Mrs. Byrd is survived by her husband, Eugene Byrd of the home; two sons, Walter Byrd of Erwin and Phil Byrd of Dunn; two brothers, Roy L. Byrd of Bunnlevel and George E. Byrd of Erwin; a sister, Mamie Lucas of Sanford; and three grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the home.

Thelma Lorene McGee Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)

September 29, 2003

BENSON -- Thelma M. Byrd, 83, of 101 E. Morgan Street, passed away Sunday September 28, 2003. Funeral service will be held at 2:00 pm Tuesday at West and Dunn Funeral Home Chapel, with Elder Ray King, Elder A.D. McGee, Elder Harold Pittman, Elder Harvey Holland and Elder Wallis Smith officiating. Burial will follow in Old Fellowship P.B. Church Cemetery.

Surviving are son, Eddie H. Byrd of Willow Spring; daughters, Ruth Byrd of Burlington and Judy B. Bishop of Benson; sister, Alene Cook of Clayton; brother, J.F. McGee of Garner; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends at West and Dunn Funeral Home, Monday, September 29, 7 to 9 pm. Arrangements by West and Dunn Funeral Home, Benson.

Troy Pinkney Byrd

Smithfield Herald

10/27/1978

Troy Pinkney Byrd of Route 3, Four Oaks died Wednesday night in Johnston Memorial Hospital following a period of declining health. He was 92 years of age. Mr. Byrd, who was born in Johnston County, was a son of the late George Washington and Harriet Beasley Byrd. He was a retired farmer. He was a member of Berea Presbyterian Church.

The funeral was scheduled for 3 p.m. Friday in the chapel of Minsheu Funeral Home in Four Oaks with the Rev. Ed Taylor and the Rev. Clearon Coats officiating and burial following in Rehobeth Church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Annie Norris Byrd; five daughters, Mrs. Sallie Langdon of Route 3, Four Oaks, Mrs. Ava Johnson of Route 1, Smithfield, Mrs. Dillie Knight of Sanford, and Mrs. Mary Morris of Raleigh, and Mrs. Shelby Jean Norris of Smithfield; one stepdaughter, Mrs. Etta Lassiter of the home; one son, T. P. Troy {note from Deb: Last name should be "Byrd"} of Route 3, Four Oaks; one stepson, Thurman Harper of Route 3, Four Oaks, 33 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Virgie Mae Byrd Dorman

Dunn Daily Record

03/28/2006

Virgie Byrd Dorman, 79, of Willow Spring died Monday, March 27, 2006. A native of Benson, she was the daughter of the late Part Rufus and Spicey Page Byrd. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday in the chapel of Bryan-Lee Funeral Home in Angier. Burial will follow at Lakeside Memorial Gardens.

Survivors include her husband, the Rev. Norwood Dorman; daughter, Sharon D. Morehead of Willow Spring; sons, Norwood Lynn Dorman and wife Angie, David Paul Dorman and wife Dale, all of Willow Spring; grandchildren, Jeremy Morehead, Jonathan Dorman, Jamie Dorman, Stephen Dorman and wife Wendy; and a great-grandchild, Amber Dorman.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Bryan-Lee Funeral Home and other times at the home, 9357 Kennebec Road, Willow Spring. Condolences may be sent to www.bryan-leefuneralhome.com.

Virginia Estelle Matthews Byrd Dixon

Dunn Daily Record
7/7/2005

Virginia Byrd Dixon, 82, of 944 Aquilla Road, Benson, died Tuesday, July 5, 2005, at her home. She was born in Harnett County on March 18, 1923, to the late O. Rastus and Bertha Virginia Pleasant Matthews. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Jesse Edward Byrd; a son, Bobby L. Byrd; and brothers, Clyde T. Matthews, Garland Matthews and Charlie Matthews. Mrs. Dixon was a homemaker and retired from P.T. Apparel of Dunn. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday at Ebenezer Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Joseph Hester. Interment will follow at the church cemetery.

Survivors include her husband, Carl J. Dixon; a daughter, Sue L. Vann and husband Jackie of Benson; a daughter-in-law, Brenda C. Byrd of Benson; stepdaughter, Martha Hill of Benson; grandchildren, Kelli S. Vann, Tammy B. Autry, Andy L. Byrd and Christopher Vann; and great-grandchildren, Nicole Autry, Jessica Autry, Elizabeth Byrd and Thomas Vann.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home and other times at the home of Sue L. and Jackie Vann, 1035 Aquilla Road, Benson. Flowers are welcome, however, memorials may be made to Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, c/o Juanita Hudson, 2981 Ebenezer Church Road, Benson, N.C. 27504; or to one's favorite charity.

Virginia Laddis Messer Byrd

News & Observer, The (Raleigh, NC)
August 6, 1997

Laddis M. Byrd, 90, died Tuesday. Graveside service 11 a.m. Thursday, Byrd family cemetery.

Surviving: son, Garner Byrd of Angier; sisters, Nettie Bridges of Angier, Euzebia Baker of Fuquay-Varina; brother, Ollie Messer of Benson; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

Family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. today. Arrangements by Overby-Johnson Funeral Home.

Waymon Tatum Byrd

Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Notice

09/04/2006

Mr. Waymon T. Byrd, 86, of Erwin died Sunday morning at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. The Harnett County native was the son of the late George W. and Gertrude J. Byrd. Waymon served in the U.S. Army during WWII. He retired from Burlington Mills after 46 years of service. He was a member of the St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. A funeral service will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church by Rev. David McGuiness. Burial will follow in Erwin Memorial Park.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy S. Byrd of Erwin, two daughters, Julia B. Byrd and husband Edward, of Erwin, Lisa B. Pope and husband Donnie of Erwin, a brother, G.W. Byrd Jr., a sister, Alice Scarborough of Durham, four grandchildren, Shelly B. Hodges, Edward Byrd, Meredith Pope, Emily Pope, five great grandchildren, Clint, Julia, Caleb, Shelby Hodges and Charlee Byrd.

The family will receive friends 6:00 until 8:00 PM Monday at Skinner and Smith Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 209 E. Denim Dr. Erwin, NC 28339.

Willard Birchel Byrd

Dunn Daily Record

12/14/2005

Willard Birchel Byrd, 82, of 1261 Stephenson Road, Benson, died Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2005, at his home. He was born July 2, 1923, in Johnston County to the late Willie Shepard and Bertha Langdon Byrd. He was a brick mason in the home construction business. Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Thursday at Johnson Memorial Church by the Revs. Mike Courtney and R.B. Parrish. Burial will follow at the church cemetery.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Maxine Clifton Byrd; a daughter, Becky Barefoot and husband Steve of Benson; sons, W. Dennis Byrd of Benson, J. Durran Byrd and wife Patricia of Clayton; a brother, Etheridge Byrd of Angier and Rupert Byrd of Durham; sisters, Betty Lou Lee of Angier; grandchildren, Darrell Barefoot, Jeremiah Byrd, Hannah Jo Byrd and Melissa Dominguez; and great-grandchildren, Marisela Baltazar, Victor Baltazar and Morgan Hanna Barefoot.

The family will receive friends after the graveside service in the church fellowship hall. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.RoseGrahamFuneralServices.com. A service of Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson.

William Bailey Byrd, Jr.

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
January 1, 1999

BENSON — William Bailey "Billy" Byrd Jr., 54, of 1169 Grace Road died Thursday in his home. Mr. Byrd was a farmer. He was a member of Johnson Memorial Church. He was a volunteer fireman for Cleveland and Elevation Fire Departments for 17 years and was a fire chief for the Elevation Fire Department for five years.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday in Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel by the Revs. R.B. Parrish and Aubrey Williamson. Entombment will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Mr. Byrd is survived by his wife, Gail S. Byrd; two daughters, Gwen B. Rice of Smithfield and Sarah J. Byrd of the home; a son, James C. Byrd of the home; his mother, Velma L. Byrd of Angier; and three sisters, Darlene Byrd of Graham, Barbara Parrish of Clayton and Janice Jackson of Benson. The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Willie Edward Byrd

Dunn Daily Record
01/12/2004

Willie Edward Byrd, 80, of Dunn died Friday morning at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital. The Harnett County native was the son of the late Lofton and Elise Byrd.

He was a retired quartermaster in the U.S. Navy. He served from 1942 to 1966 during World War II and the Korean War. Mr. Byrd served on the USS Notable, USS English, USS Herbert J. Thomas, USS Carpellotti and the USS Observation Island. He was the recipient of six Navy Good Conduct Medals, the American Campaign Medal, two Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medals, World War II Victory Medal and two National Defense Service Medals. He is also a charter member of the World War II Memorial Society.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Gospel Tabernacle Church by the Rev. Ron Wooten. Burial followed in Devotional Gardens.

Survivors include his wife, Vara Oliver Byrd; a son, Ronald Byrd of Denver, N.C.; stepdaughters, Dayle Oliver of Dunn and Sue Byrd of Camp Obella, S.C.; and a sister, Jenny Oliver of Clarksville, Tenn.

A service of Skinner Funeral Home of Dunn.

Willie Mae Byrd Parrish

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
December 21, 1994

COATS - Mrs. Willie Mae Parrish, 71, of 502 S. Railroad St. died Tuesday in her home. She was a retired ward secretary for Betsy Johnson Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Parrish was a member of Angier Primitive Baptist Church. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Rose & Graham Funeral Home chapel in Coats by Elders Devon Harris and Ronald Lawrence. Burial will be in Coats City Cemetery.

Mrs. Parrish is survived by two daughters, Joy S. Bonilla of Coats and Donna G. Brinker of Wilmington; a son, J. Keith Parrish of Coats; her mother, Eula P.W. Byrd of Coats; 11 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home in Coats. Memorials may be made to Angier Primitive Baptist Church, C/O Gerald Lawrence, Route 2, P.O. Box 227, Angier, N.C. 27501.

Willis Elmer Byrd

Dunn Daily Record
02/28/2008

Willis E. Byrd, 81, of 266 E. Washington St., Coats, died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2008, at Randolph Health & Rehab Center in Asheboro. He was born Aug. 12, 1926, in Harnett County to the late A.R. and Annie Willis Byrd.

He was a retired truck driver for the Town of Coats. Mr. Byrd was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict and was also a member of Coats Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Friday at Coats Community Church by Dr. Jim Cochran and the Rev. Brenda Eason. Burial will follow at Coats City Cemetery.

Survivors include daughters, Sharon Hall and husband Robert of Siler City; son, Timothy Byrd and wife Cathie of Coats; stepchildren, Patricia and Lew Wallace of Newport, David Knox of Morehead City, Joe Knox of Washington, N.C., and Becky Lee of Morehead City; brother, Wallace Reid Byrd of Ivanhoe; four grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren; and one great-grandson.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Coats.

Woodrow Norris

Fayetteville Observer, The (NC)
September 19, 2000

Woodrow Norris, 84, of Erwin died Monday in his home. The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Skinner Funeral Home chapel in Dunn by the Revs. Sammy Wood and Agnes B. Douglas. Burial will be in Erwin Memorial Park.

Mr. Norris is survived by his wife, Kathleen B. Norris of Dunn; and three sisters, Ramona Wood and Lettie Williams, both of Erwin, and Eva McLamb of Raleigh.

The family will receive friends tonight from 7 to 9 at the funeral home.

Zebedee Bernice Byrd, Jr.

Dunn Daily Record
12/26/2007



Z.B. Byrd Jr., 82, of 4903 N.C. 50 North, Benson, died Monday, Dec. 24, 2007. He was born Dec. 26, 1924, in Johnston County to the late Zeb Bernice Sr. and Callie B. Byrd. He was owner of Z.B. Byrd's Logging Company.

Mr. Byrd was a 1941 graduate of Benson High School. He was a member of Benson Pentecostal Holiness Church for 50 years and drove the church van for many years. Funeral services will be held 3 p.m. Thursday at Benson PH Church by the Revs. Mark Fields, Jimmy Barnhill and L.B. Collins. Burial will follow at Devotional Gardens.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years, Marie Stephenson Byrd; daughter, Sandra Daniels and husband Bill of Benson; sons, Charles Byrd and wife Amy of Benson, Phillip Byrd of the home, Steve Byrd and wife Karen of Angier, Rodney Byrd and wife Erica of Benson; sister, Sallie B. Wood of Benson; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends tonight from 6 to 8 at Rose & Graham Funeral Home in Benson. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Benson PH Church Building Fund, 407 E. Church St., Benson, NC 27504; or to the E. Carlton Powell Hospice Center, 185 Pine State Ave., Lillington, NC 27546.